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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2011 12:21 PM
To: 'attridgesj@aol.com'
Subject: RE: 2011-271-E

Dear Mr. Attridge,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission. I am forwarding your email and Letter of Protest to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email and Letter of Protest will become a part of Docket No. 2011-271-E and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
Administrative Assistant

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Letter of Protest
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Date: * September 06, 2011

Protestant Information:

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1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a Duke Energy customer. I have experienced rate cases in New York. As a former lineman of 35 years at Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, I went through deregulation, rate increases, cutbacks in workforce, two mergers that put ownership in Spain, and neglect of customers. The sad truth in NY is that the PSC is highly influenced by the political "giants" and seem to ignore the needs of the rate payers!

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

Duke Energy is seeking a rate case prior to the merger with Progress. There will be many changes that will eventually reduce the reliability of power. The rate case notes a failed wind generation program as a need for increased revenue. The real reason is greed. The stockholders and executives are the "Gods" of the utility industry and are reaping huge profits on the backs of the rate payers. There must be some control and the SCPSC can do just that. "The vultures came off the post" and are feeding on utility revenues. Serious attention must be given to their diet!

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *
(This section should be completed.)

I would be happy to if I can afford to.